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(37 CFR 1.63)**

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Attorney Docket Number	GKNG 1266 PCT
First Named Inventor	HEIKO KOSSACK, ET AL.
COMPLETE IF KNOWN	
Application Number	10 / 562,429
Filing Date	DECEMBER 27, 2005
Group Art Unit	
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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

LONGITUDINAL PLUNGING UNIT PERMITTING AXIAL POSITIONING OF THE CAGE

(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which

is attached hereto

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was filed on (MM/DD/YYYY) 12/27/2005 as United States Application Number or PCT International

Application Number 10/562,429 and was amended on (MM/DD/YYYY) (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or (f), or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application Number(s)	Country	Foreign Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Priority Not Claimed	Certified Copy Attached? YES	Certified Copy Attached? NO
PCT/EP 2004/012312	Germany	10/29/2004	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>

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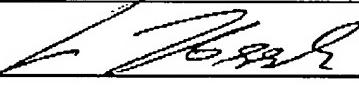
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Given Name (first and middle [if any])	HEIKO	Family Name or Surname	KOSSACK
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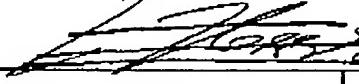
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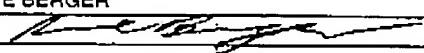
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